Amen!" I said to the beautiful myth;
"Sing, bird of God, in my heart as well;
Each good thought is a drop wherewith
To, cool and lessen the fires of hell.

· THE HOUR'S SIEGE. A SKETCH OF THE REVOLUTION.

Ir was past the midnight of the 13th of August (commenced my grandmother), but though the river was in front of us, and the forest stretched for miles behind us, and away to the right and left, I could not catch even the sigh of a leaf or the ripple of the water, so sultry and heavy broodled the darkness around us. I had not been in the best of spirits that

day, for it was the time when we dreaded every hour to hear of the bombardment of New York; and though in the house of Thomas Oakley, a brother of my father, I had nothing to fear, there hung over me such a terror and dread of that day that I could not help fearing lest some evil had harvested to my nor nor response. happened to my parents, who were still in

As usual with the sleepless, all sorts of fancies teased my brain. My room, like all the others was large, and furnished in the style that seems so quaint to people of

the present day.

The chimney-piece was tiled with porcelain, curiously wrought into illustrations of scripture. The bed and furniture, that of scripture. The bed and furniture, that had all been brought from England, was tall, dark, stiff and carved, while the walls were hung with sombre family portraits. And as I lay and wished for day the tiled figures seemed to move and glower at me in tae uncertain light that came through a loop-hole in my window, while I thought the eyes of the portraits were, one and all, fixed on me with a solemn, warning stare; and so it happened that I heard the old clock strike one, two three, and was just falling off into a doze, when there came a light step along the hall, and cousin Grace called in a strange, scared voice, outside the door: "Helen, Helen!"

I was up in a moment and out to where she stood, tooking like a spirit, with her ashy face, and fair hair falling about her; ember the thrill of astonishmen with which, spite of my fright, I saw that one was already dressed, and held in her hand a powder flask.

"Put on your clothes as quick as you can, Nellie," she said, in a voice that trembled a little, though she was doing her best to be calm. "Brant's men are coming and father wants us all down stairs." Brant's men! It is difficult to make you understand the horror with which that name was pronounced and heard; or to express the terror with which, as I hurried on my clothes, I thought of Grace and my-self in the power of those merciless savages. No wonder that she trembled in every limb, or that Thomas Oakley and his five stalwart sons, men not easily

in the dim morning light.

I don't know as I have spoken to you efore of Thomas Oakley, a man over six feet in height, and of a noble presence, with a grand face, that looked as if it might have been chiseled out of marble, and hair as white as snow, although he was scarcely past his prime. We have no such men now-a-days. I have his portrait in my little cabinet yonder, and you may see that he looks as he was, a kind and noble gen-

tleman.

As for his sons, they were like him—tall, strong-limbed, fearless and devoutly strached to their stately mother, who was preparing breakfast, while they fastened the iron shutters of the lower windows, and barred the heavy doors.

"It's a shame to rout you out so early, Nellie," said Mr. Oakley, as he noticed my pale, frightened face; "but if we don't eat our breakfast now those rascals may not give us a chance to eat it at all; and to my mind, after a good cause, there's nothing like a good breakfast before going into a

I wish Mark was here," said Grace, "No doubt, Pussy; but I've sent for

him. You Yost, the half-witted lad that brought the news, has gone on after him and the volunteers, who were to start for the camp to-day; and if we can but keep the rascals at bay till they come, we may give them as good a peppering as they defeatures for a moment; and then, with a strangled sob, he threw himself headlong Ay, if! but oh, that dreadful uncertain

The house was of stone, and so congly built, that it was doubtful if they could either raze or fire it. But who knew what else might happen? How many of that fair family would gather around the board to-morrow morning? Ah! it was a dreadful day; but I think the hour before the attack was the worst of all.

It was not to be expected that we could

meal was, it was hardly over when one of the boys whom my uncle had posted at the look-out, called out that they were coming, and stealing along the woods at the right, as if they hoped to surprise us. At once the men hurried with their rifles to the windows of the second story; while

Mrs. Oakley, pale, but still outwardly calm, motioned us to follow, and hand out Then came a dead silence.

"Look out, Simeon," said the father, in a low voice, "and tell us what the rascals are about."

but under cover. They think to catch us napping. There's a man coming this way now—he—why, father, it is Walter Van Culyer!"

We all started. The meaning of this times—trying times! There was a wed-ding afterwards between Mark and Grace, and I danced as merrily as any of them; but poor Mrs. Oakley wore mourning to the end of her days; and the last words on her lips were the names of her murdered sons. And greatly affected, my grand-mother took off her spectacles and wiped sudden attack was clear enough now.

Van Culyer had been a professional patriot and a warm admirer of Grace; and her eyes.

on his rejection by her, had gone away vowing to take a terrible revenge on the whole family. whole family.

"The traitor," muttered my uncle; "it is he, then, that has brought down this swarm of hornets. What is he doing

"He has been trying the windows to see if they are fastened. Now he is at the

The words of Simeon were at times drowned in a series of thundering knocks

Mr. Oakley went to Simeon's window and demanded:

"Who is there?"
"Walter Van Culyer."

"What do you want?"
"Food, rest and shelter. Brant's men are on my track. Let me in quickly." The sharp crack of a rifle and the words "liar and hypocrite" were his answer. A fierce yell arose from behind the haystacks and outbuildings, as twenty dark forms rushed forward, brandishing their weapons and firing at random, while as many more have read on the curshitts of the wood.

honor to be yours."
"Yes, sir."
"Ah! Wait. Tell me. Has Mr. Bwithin the house was perfect silence, broken only by the low "now boys" of Mr. Oakley and the crack of six of the settled his accounts to date?"

"Yes, sir. His accounts were settled promptly and cheerfully."

"Ah! Then you may place—I have the honor to be your very humble servant."

"Six down! A man for each bullet.
Good!" said the exulting voice of my
uncle. "The powder, girls, and we'll give forgot to tell you that Mr. B—has chartered two new ships, and his ventures are not only brilliant but safe. He is regarded 'em another."

A shower of bullets, that rattled like hailstones about the windows, cut short his words. Mr. Oakley picked up some that fell harmlessly on the floor, and reby the knowing ones as a man of remarka-ble abilities."

"Ah-ha! Indeed! Place quickly-I have the honor to be, Sir, with the highest consideration and respect, your very hum-"The serpents are kinder than I anticible and very obedient servant!" pated. They are going to keep us in bul-lets as well as exercise. So much the bet--A Wooden Man-An alderman.

Wyandot

County

Republican.

like his case in the annals of crime since

tention of becoming a doctor, but had long cherished an idea that he was destined to make some great discovery in philology, which would make his name ring the

rere never found. He was tried for the crime, found guilty

on circumstantial evidence, and sentenced to death, but broke jail and escaped. He was afterwards in jail for burglary and robbery, and again effected his escape. He

then appears under various aliases as a German linguist and portrait painter, and

again gets into jail, and gets out. He af-terwards lived in New York city, pursu-

ing his studies, and was the leading spirit

of a band of robbers. His next public ap-pearance was at Binghampton, where he was tried for the murder of Frederick A.

Mirrick, a clerk in the dry-goods store of the Halbert Brothers. The outlines of

At about two o'clock in the morning of

lugust 17, 1870, this store was entered at

the rear by three burglars, who were dis-guised in the usual way. They entered on

the ground floor, crept up stairs to the general sale department, in which two clerks, named Gilbert S. Burroughs and

Frederick A. Mirrick were asleep guarding the premises. The burglars were

oiseless, and in a short time had removed

alarm, and when people came to the store Mirrick was found bloody and dead; but

were rung as for a fire, and as soon as pos-

all persons, and arrest all who could not

give a satisfactory explanation of their business. Nothing, however, was found which could shed light on the case, until late in the next night one of the picket

refused to stop, and before Stockwell could

tol in hand, sat on his stoop, ready to cap-

door, where he was crouching in abject terror. When questioned he said that his

tory account of himself, and finally was handed over to the chief of police. The

murder and burglary had been committed

faces showed evidence of a severe strug-gle, and on their persons were found bur-

glars' tools—notably, a bit which exactly fitted holes bored in the floor of Halbert's

store. They were removed to the court-house, and there Rulloff was made to look

at them for identification, but he steadfast-ly maintained that he had never seen them

before. In the evening he was taken be-fore the coroner and district attorney, questioned and discharged. As he was

eaving the room, he was recognized by

Judge Balcom as a man who had been tried before him some years before. With

satonishing presence of mind Rulloff said: "Geutlemen, you see now why I have acted so strangely; the judge would easily recognize me, and I thought best to keep dark when a murder had been com-

peace, but was afterwards rearrested, and the shoes found on the premises where the nurder had been committed were tried on

Take Care of the Pennies.

EVERY one is familiar with the old homely adage, "Take care of the pennies,

the pounds will take care of themselves," and the following anecdote (for the truth of which the writer vouches, being ac-

his feet-they fitted exactly.

He was permitted to depart in

this case are as follows:

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ter, for we have none to spare. Now, boys."
Another flash and roar, and again the

voice of Mr. Oakley:

"Fire steady, boys, and take good aim.
Don't waste powder."

A dead silence ensued.

"They're cowed, father. They are sneak-

ing off to cover," exclaimed Simeon.
"Not they! they are only contriving some new deviltry. John and Matthew, round with you to the back of the house.

Grace—my God! where did that shot come from?" as with a sharp cry, Reuben, the eldest, leaped three feet in the air, and fell forward, on his face, stone dead.

forward, on his face, stone dead.

Mrs. Oakley sprang forward and threw herself on his body. The fair-haired eldest boy was her darling. Another shot came crashing through the window, and bedded itself in the opposite wall.

"Aim at yonder tree," shouted Mr. Oakley. "I saw the gleam of a rifle stock among the leaves. See the oak wonder."

among the leaves. See! the oak yonder.'
A third shot whizzed so close past us as

o make us start back; and then our un-

erring rifles answered back, and down through the boughs went a dark body, striking with a heavy "thud" against the

"He is silenced," exclaimed Mr. Oak-

ley, with a gleam of stern satisfaction shooting across his face. Here there was a silence of longer dur-

ation than any which had preceded it and

we were at a loss to know whether they had drawn off and given up the attack. This, however, my uncle doubted, for he was accustomed to the tactics of those wily foes At last he remarked:

"Where can they be hiding? I see none of the rest."

"Father, Father!" called Grace, in a

Mr. Oakley ran hastily into the back

room, where she was. A stalward man in a hunting frock, and so bronzed as to make

t almost doubtful if he was white or red,

had swung himself from an adjoining tree,

on to the balcony and was trying to force himself through the little window.

As Mr. Oakley rushed forward, he drew his hunting knife that he wore in his belt,

but seizing the sharp edge in his bare hands, the infuriated father wrested it

from his grasp by main strength, and plunged it up to the hilt in his breast.

A fierce yell and a harmless volley from those in ambush, received this new defeat,

and then came another of those ominous

"What can they be about?" uttered

Simeon, who was again at the look-out. "They are piling up hay and brushwood. They surely do not dream of firing the house?"

"The door, the door!" gasped Grace.
"Right!" exclaimed her father. "The

girl has more wit than all of us. We mus barricade the hall."

"Never mind the shutters," said Mrs. Oakley, who had regained her marble com-posure. "We will bar them," and she be-

gan to draw the bolts.

Mr. Oakley hesitated, for the task was

one of danger, but there was no time, and

chairs, tables and sofas were piled up at a short distance from the door, in what was

really a formidable barricade, guarded as it was by the uncring rifles. The smell of

ed the hall, now grew almost intolerable. Mr. Oakley placed us on the stair case and

take good aim. A portion of the door fell in. Mr. Oakley raised his rifle, and

volleys brought them to a stand. No man

cared to expose himself to such certain

Mr. Oakley turned impetuously to his

"Give 'em another, boys; we'll beat 'em off yet!" But a mute shake of the head

was the only answer. The powder was exhausted. For a moment a deadly pallon

overspread his face; the next, his voice

will sell our lives as dearly as possible."
"Come on! their powder is out!" shouted a man, who, with balf a dozen others,

had succeeded in scrambling over the bar ricade, and making his way toward the

little group.
"You had better be careful. Our wo

men have their knitting-needles yet," re-

"We'll take care of you and the womer both," returned the ruffian, aiming

blow at Simeon, that brought him to th

A spasm contorted Mr. Oakley's stern

upon his assailants.
"Ktll him—cut him down—he's the

devil himself!" shouted a dozen voices;

flight; and the enraged Americans mowe the flying tories down like grain.

Then burst forth all the emotions so lon

pent up. Father and sons threw them

selves into one another's arms; Grace fainted; and Mrs. Oakley's stony compo-sure melted into a flood of hysterical

Ours was a joyful, and yet a sad hous

Ah! children! these times were sad

Anecdote of Saul, the Banker.

Archibald Saul, the wealthy banker, wa

well known on 'Change in his day. He was a small wiry man, keen and shrewd,

"You may place," said Saul, I have the

"By the way," said the secretary,

to me agreeably to his wishes."

rang out, clear and firm as ever:
"Close up! Draw your knives!

UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO, THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1871.

CONGRESSIONAL

The question as to the premature pul lication of the treaty was further considered in the Senate on the 20th, and several personal explana tions were made. In reply to the question as t whether what the N. Y. Tribune published was the same as the official copy of the treaty. Mr. Morton said it was, with 'he exception of one of the articles omitted by mistake... The treaty was considered in executive session... Adjourned. In the Senate, on the 22d, several personal explanations were made. Senators denying that they had made speeches in executive session that they had made speeches in executive session such as was attributed to them in what purported to be the published proceedings of the Senate as reported in the daily newspapers. Resolutions were offered—one that the Seargeaut-at-Arms be directed to discharge White and Ramsdell immediately after the final adjournment of the special session of the Senate, and the other that they be discharged from custody forthwith—both of which resolutions went over.... A resolution was adopted that the clerks of the several standing committees be paid from May 1 to May 31 ... A report was made from the Judiciary Committee to the effect that Senators are not, under the law, entitled to mileage for attending the present extra session... The treaty was further considered in Executive session... Adjourned.

In the Senate, on the 23d, a letter was

In the Senate, on the 23d, a letter wa read from Vice-President Colfax, saying he did not expect to preside over the Senate during the rest of the session, and Mr. Anthony was chosen Prest dent pro tem.... A motion to go into executive session was made and carried, and the treaty was further considered.

In the Senate, on the 24th, a memorial was presented and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, from Flanagan, Bradley, Carke & Co.; John J. Flanagan; Henry Woodruff, for himself. and as Trustee for Courtland Palmer; John M. Donaldson, Trustee, and Poultney National Bank, by Henry Woodruff, attorney, stanting that they had just claims to the amount of over \$250,000 against the Government of Venezucla, for losses occasioned by its failure to perform its obligations and duties, under certain grants relating to the construction of a railroad east from Caracas to Petare, and its wrongful and arbitrary acts in seizing, by military force, materials, tools, and equipments connected with the construction of the road, etc....The treaty was further considered and debated in executive session, and it was finally raitined by a vote of 50 to 12 ...Adjourned.

In the Senate, on the 25th, Mr Summer, in a personal explanation, denied a report in the was presented and referred to the Committee on

in a personal explanation, denied a report in the Daily Uhronicle purporting to give a statement of remarks made by him in executive session on the 24th, which report he pronounced a fabrication... After an executive session, the committee appointed to investigate the question of the divulging of the treaty made a report, submitting all the testimony, and stating that Charles A. Tinker, Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Office, and J. A. Kirby, an operator of that office, are in contempt of the Senate for refusing to answer certain questions propounded them. A motion was made and adopted—34 to 11—to lay the report on the table, the object being to turn Tinker and Kirby over to the court under the law, and discharge White and Ramsdell from custody, that their case might take the same direction. The motion to discharge White and Ramsdell was then proceeded with, but subsequently withdrawn, and a substitute was offered to the effect that the witnesses having testified that no Senator or employe of the Senate having been connected with the publication, the committee be discharged and the witnesses released, when, after some further discussion, the Senate adjourned.

In the Senate, on the 26th, the resolukilly Chronicle purporting to give a statement

In the Senate, on the 26th, the resolu tion to discharge White and Ramsdell immediate on the adjournment of the present session wi considered under the head of unfinished business, and the amendment that the discharge of the witnesses should not affect legal proceedings instituted under the act of January, 1837, was withdrawn and subsequently renewed...Executive session and adjournment.

FOREIGN. Cable dispatches of the 21st ann that the Versailles forces had entered Paris late in the afternoon of that day, at at 1115%. two points, the gate of St. Cloud, near Point du Jour, and the gate of Montrouge, on the Boulevard Brune. The insurgents Walter Van Culyer, who was the first to spring in, staggered and fell back with a groan; the others swarmed in like bees, but a second and a third of these deadly had abandoned the ramparts. There was said to be a panie in the city, and many of the insurgent leaders had disappeared. Rochefort had been arrested in attempting to escape from the Commune, and was taken to Versailles on the 20th.

The Legislature of New Brunswick has adopted, by unanimous votes in both branches, resolutions condemnatory of the terms of to crops. the Treaty of Washington, in so far as they affect the interests of Canada. After the passage of these resolutions, the Leg-

islature was prorogued. Buenos Ayres dates to March 8 report 240 to 261 deaths daily by yellow fever, which showed no prospect of abatement. The authorities seem helpless to deal with the sequrge, which would not probably cease before winter.

A Paris dispatch of the afternoon of the 22d says: "All is over. Seventy thousand Versaillists have entered the city, and plenty." more are now coming. They marched in all night, coming through six gates, and met with but slight resistance." Other accounts state that the city was in great commotion, and that severe fighting had occurred, but that the collapse of the Commune was imminent.

but in a moment arose another and far dif In the Assembly, at Versailles, on the ferent cry.
"The rebels—the rebels are upon us! 22d, M. Thiers made a congratulatory And thundering on, trampling the cow-ardly wretches down under the horses' hoofs, came Mark Warner with his light speech on the surprising success of the government forces. A vote of thanks to Thiers and the army was adopted by achorse troop. In an instant all was con-fusion. No one thought of anything but

Earthquake shocks were felt at Toronto Quebec, Ottawa and other places in Canada, on the morning of the 21st.

Bradford, Ont., was nearly destroyed by fire on the 22d. Over sixty families were rendered homeless, and there was not a store left to supply the sufferers with provisions. Loss variously estimated at from that night—for although we had been de-livered, as it were, from the very jaws of death, yet the bodies of our dead were \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

The news from Paris on the 24th is to the insurgents, and was burning in many hung on the 14th of July next. places. The Communists still held all the district between the Place Vendome. Tuileries, and Belleville. Troops were mowed down by fire from windows, barricades by mitrailleuses, but steadily gain

ground. The slaughter was awful. explosion had occurred in the center of Citys-13 to 9. the city, and it was considered probable that the Hotel de Ville had been blown up by the insurgents. In the Assembly at Versailles Thiers expressed his horror at these acts of vandalism, and declared and a great stickler for form. His clerks were aware of his precision, and failed that it was the determination of the govnot to do their work according to the rules and forms laid down. One day Saul called his private secretary and directed him to write to Mr. B—, a rising merernment to punish the perpetrators with-

out mercy. The official result of the census of London, just published, shows a total popula-

chant and importer.
"Write," said the banker, "that I have transacted the business which he intrusted tion of a little more than 3,250,000. The London Times of the 24th expresses he opinion that the settlement of the The secretary, at his desk, wrote, and when the body of the communication had question of the Alabama claims is honorabeen completed, he turned and asked—
"With what form shall I close the letboth England and America is realized. Though the treaty represents no perfect compromise, it is still acceptable for the already practically ratified the result of

the labors of the commission. The German Reichstag has approved a supplementary clause to the postal treaty between America and Germany, under which letters will henceforward be forwarded to and from America at the rate of 21/4 groschen (about 5 cents) per ounce.

Berlin journals of May 21, state that General Fabrice had demanded of the Paris Commune the surrender of the Na-

Weekly News Summary. held sacred, and that when they heard that the establishment had been attacked they ordered a court-martial of the offenders. The culprits fled in dismay, and could not be found. The Commune could, therefore, only express sorrow and indignation at the occurrence of a deed which they were unable to prevent.

Thiers, in a circular issued on the 25th, says: "We are masters of Paris except a small portion which will be occupied today. The Louvre has been saved. The hotel of the Minister of Finance has been partially burned, and the Tuileries and Palais du Quai d'Orsay, in which the Council of State holds their sessions, are wholly destroyed. We have already 12,-000 prisoners, and shall have 20,000 tonight. The streets of Paris are strewn with insurgent corpses. Our loss is small. The army has behaved admirably. Justice will soon be satisfied, and France be happy in the midst of her own misfor-

A dispatch from St. Denis on the even ing of the 25th says: "Fighting in Paris, has ceased. The Versaillists have complete possession of the city. The conflagrations are nearly all of them extinguished. They, in all cases, were caused by the shells of the Versaillists and not by the Communists. A portion of the Louvre was saved; the most precious works are safe in the vaults. Last night and to-day the troops refused to give quarter, and killed all who fell into their hands,"

According to cable dispatches of the 26th the following named public buildings in Paris had been destroyed: Palace of Tuileries, Ministry of Finance, Prefecture of Police, Court of Accounts, Palace of the Legion of Honor, barracks on the Quay d'Orsay, Hotel de Ville, and Mont de Piete. The following leading insurgents had been shot: Velles, Amoreux, Brunel, Rigault, Dombrowski, and Bousquet. It was rumored that all the hostages held by the insurgents were safe, but nothing positive was known in relation to

A Versailles dispatch of the night of the 25th says Archbishop Darboy, ten hostages and nearly fifty priests were murdered in cold blood at Mazos prison on the night of the 23d A telegram was received at Wash-

ington from Minister Washburne, dated at Paris, 26th, saying: "There is fighting in remote parts of the city. New fires. Americans and their property all safe." It has been announced that the triumphal entry of the German army into Berlin will take place on June 16, and that June 18 will be observed as a day of thanks-

giving throughout the empire. DOMESTIC.

The first spike on the Pacific side of the

Kalama, Oregon, on the 18th, with appro-A violent tornado and hail storm passed over a belt of land one mile wide in New

the road were knocked senseless by the is critical, it is not necessarily beyond hail stones. Hail was found in some places hope." nine inches deep. Much damage was done A Scranton, Pa, dispatch of the 22d

says: "The whirr of machinery is heard this morning, for the first time for many months, in all the breakers at the shafts by the great coal companies in this valley. Everything is bustling, active and cheerful throughout the community, and the general disposition is to believe that we have at least five years of constant work before us, without interruption from strikes, and that all dissensions and sufferings are to be buried in peace and

The tug B. B. Jones exploded her boiler at Port Huron on the 25th, killing the following named persons: Andrew Rathbone, mate; Thomas Blanchard, first engineer; Patrick McGuire and Delbert Preston, wheelsmen, and Charles Miller, fireman.

of death should not be passed upon him, Foster replied, in a clear voice: "I had been drinking a good deal that day and night, and did not know what I was doing. I had no intention of killing Putnam, and I am very sorry for it." He then burst into tears. The Judge in passing sentence said the prisoner had had a pahis own selection; but the case was too clear to come to any other conclusion than the one arrived at. He could hold out no hope whatever to him of a commutation of sentence, and the prisoner should be prepared to meet his awful doom. Senthe effect that the city had been fired by tence was then passed that he should be

In a game of base-ball at Boston on the 20th, the Red Stockings, of that city, defeated the Athletics, of Philadelphia-11 to 8. At Cleveland, the Olympics, of clearly some of the provisions of the natu-The Tuileries were entirely burned. An | Washington, defeated the Cleveland Forest

> At Chicago, on the 22d, the White Stockings, of that city, defeated the Rockford Forest Citys-15 to 6.

During the proceedings in the Senate on the 22d, and near the close of the day's session, Vice-President Colfax was taken

Many could not be sent to schools that are for the purpose, poverty forbidding; and these schools being few, distance adds assistance would have fallen to the floor. He was conveyed to his room, when medical aid was promptly summoned, and the proper remedies were applied, giving much relief. His sickness was probably caused by the close atmosphere in the Senble to England, and that the object of ate chamber, as all the doors are closed during the executive sessions.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate on the 22d: Postsake of peace, and both countries have masters-A. P. Sullivan, Santa Fe, N. M.; S. W. Chubbuck, Gold Hill, Nev.; Mark Tilton, Pension Agent, Mattison, Ind.

Among the nominations by the President on the 23d were: John W. Fuller, Collector of Internal Revenue Tenth Dis trict of Ohio. Postmasters-B. W. Davies, Richmond, Ind.; J. T. Griffin, Omaha,

The condition of Vice-President Colfax was reported by his physician to be much better on the evening of the 23d, and he

dist Episcopal Church, died in Cincinnati on the evening of the 23d. Alfred Zeigenmeyer, arrested in Ger

many for the murder of William M. Gumbleton, at Chicago, last winter, arrived in that city on the 23d, in custody days ago. of the officers who were sent after him. Major Powell and his party left Greene Utah, on the morning of the 23d. They will be absent two years exploring the canons of the Colorado and some of

At Cleveland, on the 24th, the Forest Citys, of that city, defeated the Rockford Forest Citys in a game of base-ball—11 to All these facts excited a great deal of 10. The Boston Red Stockings and the Washington Olympics played a game in Boston on the 24th, which resulted in a

Boston on the 24th, which resulted in a tie on the ninth inning—4 to 4.

A Binghamton letter says Rulloff's grave had been opened three times in the hope of getting his head, which had been taken off before burial. His brain weighed ten ounces above the average, weighed ten ounces above the average, and his skull was the thickest on record. The arguments were concluded in the oster murder trial in New York City, on the 24th, and the case was submitted to

The International Convention of Young time for maintenance. He rose from this Men's Christian Associations commenced to be the master of a select school, and its session in Washington on the 24th. The officers chosen are: President, John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia; Vice-Presidents, R. R. McBurney, New York; J. Skinner, North Carolina; W. Brooks, California; R. H. Brown, Louisiana; L. Claxton, Quebec; W. S. Crosby, Michigan; S. H. Kendrick, Rhode Island; M. K. Barnard, Indiana; C. Lloyd, Washington, D. C.; C. B. Fish, Missouri; C. P. Palmer, Prince Edward's Island; W. B. Simpson, West Virginia. Secretaries, T. H. R. Enos, Indiana; W. H. Hobbs, Maine; H. J. Cowles, Wisconsin.

The President, on the 24th, nominated Leander Gerreard as Attorney for the Dis-trict of Nebraska; W. P. Wolf, Postmaster at Wilmington, Ohio. The corner-stone of a monnment to the

Confederate dead at Oakwood Cemetery, Richmond, Va., was laid on the afternoon of the 24th. The Grand Lodge of Good Templars

of North America recently in session at Baltimore, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: R. W. G. Templar, Rev. T. Russell, of Michigan; R. W. G. Councillor, J. J. Hickman, of Kentucky; R. W. G. Templar, Sister Anna Raymond, of New York; R. W. G. Secretary, Julius . Spencer, of Cleveland, O., and R. W. G. Treasurer, John Campbell, of St.

The jury in the Foster murder case in New York city, on the 25th, returned a suddenly the clerks awoke, and instantly The jury in the Foster murder case in verdict of guilfy of murder in the first dewith a recommendation to mercy A game of base-ball played in New York city on the 26th, between the amateur Stars, of Brooklyn, and Olympics, of River, which flowed near the store, showed Northern Pacific Railroad was driven at Washington, resulted in the defeat of the

how terribly well they fought. In the struggle, Mirrick mastered one of the bur-glars, and was choking him, when another, afterwards shown to be Rulloff, Stars-21 to 20. A Washington special of the 26th says the Vice-President's condition "is not crept up behind him and blew his brains such as to afford his friends as much en- out. The three then retreated, and Bur-Kent County, Va., on the 19th. Trees and couragement as they hoped the day would roughs, rushing into the street, gave the houses were blown down, and persons in bring them; still, however, while the case there was no trace of the murderers ex-cept a pair of shoes which were picked up

The usually quiet city of Binghampton was then in the wildest excitement; bells POLITICAL. In the Massachusetts Senate on the 23d au order of inquiry into the treaty of sible guards were stationed about the town, whose duty it should be to question Washington on the Massachusetts fishing

interest was tabled. The New Hampshire Governor and Council, in session May 23, examined the vote for Senators. They found no choice in Districts 1 and 10. Five Republicans and five Democrats were found to be elected, and notified accordingly.

The Pennsylvania Democratic State

saw a man retreating rapidly along the track of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He hailed him, but he reach him, a coal train passed between the two, and when it had gone by the man could not be found. Shortly afterwards Mr. Chauncey Livingston, who, with pis-Convention met at Harrisburg on the 24th. The following nominations were made: Auditor General, General Wm. McCandless, of Philadelphia; Surveyor General, ture anybody he might see prowling about, dragged Rulloff from behind his barn Captain J. M. Cooper, of Lawrence County. William A. Wallace was elected Chairman of the State Central Committee. name was Charles Augustus. He carried a satchel and an umbrella, and was respect-ably dressed. He failed to give a satisfac-The Wisconsin State Temperence Convention has been called to meet at Watertown on the 6th of June, to nominate can-

didates for State officers. The Illinois Legislature met in special on Wednesday, and on Friday morning two dead bodies were seen in the Chenan-go River. They were dragged out, Their session at Springfield on the 24th. The Chicago Tribune's Washington special of the 25th gives the following as the

yea and nay vote in the Senate on the ratification of the treaty of Washington: ification of the treaty of Washington:

Yeas.—Ames, Anthony, Bayard, Buckingham,
Boreman, Caldwell, Cameron, Chandler, Clayton,
Cole, Conkling, Cragin, Edmunds, Ferry (Mich),
Fenton, Flanagan, Freilinghuysen, Gibert, Hamilton (Texas), Hamilton (Mo.), Hamilto, Harlan,
Hill, Hitcheock, Kellogs, Lewis, Logan, Morrill
(Me.), Morton, Nye, Osborn, Patterson, Pomeroy,
Pool, Pratt, Ramsey, Rice, Robertson, Spencer,
Stewart, Sumner, Tipton, Trumbull, Wilson, Windom, Wright—0.

Naus.—Casserly, Carpenter, Davis (Ky.), Davis (W. Va.), Kelly, Sanisbury, Stevenson, Stockton, Sprague, Thurman, Vickers, West—12 Blair was paired with Morrill, of Vermont. Those absent or not voting were Cooper, Corbett, Howe, Johnston and

Brownlow. The United States Senate has ratified the additional treaty between the United

ralization treaty. Education of the Blind.

States and Great Britain, defining more

A new feature in the education of the blind has been developed in Great Britain. of which the writer vouches, being acquainted with the parties to whom it refers) is strikingly illustrative of the power that lies in the hands of even the very poorest of our readers if they will but take care of the pennies.

A Manchester calico printer was, on his wedding day, persuaded by his wife to allow her, as her share, two half pints of ale a day. He rather winced under the bargain, for, though a drinker himself, he would have preferred a perfectly sober suddenly ill, and on his attempting to leave his seat became dizzy, and but for this—to teach the sightless along with the sighted in any school. Of course the raised type is used, but in the lessons and classifications no difference is made, nor is any extra trouble experienced by the teacher. Black letter books are also used by the friends of the blind to help them in study at home. In school they use their own kind several half hours daily, and take their place along with the others in all oral exercises, such as spelling and questioning. The merit of devising the plan belongs to a Mr. Alexander Barnhill, Superendent of the Glasgow Mission to Out-Door Blind; and the honor of intro-

would have preferred a perfectly sober wife. They both worked hard, and he, poor man, was seldom out of the public house as soon as the factory closed. The wife and husband saw little of each other except at breakfast; but as she kept things ducing it belongs to a Mr. Thomas Kay, tidy about her, and made her stinted and head master of the Greenock Charity School. This gentleman says that whateven selfish allowance for housekeeping, meet the demand upon her, he never com-plained. She had her daily pint, and he perhaps, had his two or three quarts; and neither interfered with the other, except, viously, have, after a year's trial, been com-pletely dispelled, and that, "if teachers at odd times, when she succeeded, by dint would only make the experiment, every of one little artifice or other to win him home an hour or two earlier at night, and blind child in the country might be educated in the common schools with very nome an nour or two earner at night, and now and then to spend an entire evening in his own house. But these were rare occasions. They had been married a year; and on the morning of their wed-

-The American Seamen's friend Society on the hotel of Mr. Washburne, the American Minister. Grousset replied that the Commune had ordered that the embassy be Commun

TERMS:-\$2.00 per Annum.

we were wed; and, only that I haven't a penny i' th' world, we'd take a jaunt to th' village to see thee mother."
"Wouldst thou like to go, John?" asked Rulloff. This name has appeared almost every day in the New York papers for some months past. The wretch who bore it was hung at Binghamton, N. Y., a few she, softly, between a smile and a tear, pleased to hear him speak kindly as in old times. "If thee'd like to go, John, I'll The case was of more than ordinary in-

stand treat." "Thou stand treat!" said he, with half terest on account of Rulloff's being a student, and the author of essays and works on languages which displayed a large amount of erudition. He was engaged on a philological treatise in his prison cell. a sneer. "Hast got a fortin', wench?"
"Nay," said she, "but I'v gotten the
pint o' ale."
"Gotten what?" inquired he.

"The pint o' ale!" was the reply.

John still didn't understand her till the faithful creature reached down an old stocking from under a loose brick in the chimney and counted out her daily pint of ale in the shape of 365 three pences that is £4 11s. 4d. sterling, or \$23,) and put it in his hand, exclaiming, "Thee shall have the holiday, John." John was ashamed, curiosity, but very little sympathy for the condemned man. There has been nothing

world over. This seems to have been a mania with him. He was poor, and was obliged to engage as a canal driver at one among his pupils was a girl of sixteen with whom he fell in love, and who married him much against the wishes of her impress upon his audience the power of parents. At this time he was a shining light in the town where he lived and lecsuch savings, he related the foreging anec-dote. The Mayor of the borough was in the chair. At the conclusion of the anectured on phrenology, history, the sciences, and every imaginable subject. He after-wards commenced the practice of medicine dote, he came forward to the foot lights, placed his hands upon his breast and said and was unsuccessful as a physiciau. He quarreled with everybody, including his wife, and it is supposed murdered her and child, boxed them up and sunk them deep in Cayuga Lake. The bodies of his victims "Ladies and gentlemen, John now stands before you. He did become mayor of his native borough."

Stricken by a Pestilence.

OUR neighboring city of Buenos Ayres is suffering from a terrible pestilence. On February 1 the yellow fever broke out in the northern part of the city, but did not create any alarm at first, as during the entire month the average mortality was only about twelve a day. On March 1 there were 35 fatal cases, and the number gradually increased, reaching 204 on the 18th, and 337 on the 28th. On Saturday, one and 337 on the 28th. On Saturday, one week ago to-day, there were 501 inter-ments; on Sunday 749 bodies were count-

450. The total number since the scourge began is over 12,000. Rich and poor are alike stricken with Rich and poor are alike stricken with the malady. Families have been broken up and scattered. In some instances hus-bands have abandoned their dying wives, mothers have left their children to die alone, and in many cases whole families have been swept away. As many as five him come back—a pole, and extending or six corpses have been discovered in a single house. A new cemetery has been opened in the campo south of the city, and a tram railroad laid to it. The bodies are carried out on the trucks, packed like a tram railroad laid to it. The bonies are carried out on the trucks, packed like freight. There is no time to construct left—we are not going to say would have left town—a wife and three children to left town—ah! who does not occasince exhausted. In some instances the undertakers have fled from the terrible

weeks ago numbered at least 200,000 souls, is now reduced to 40,000. About 150,000 have fled their homes, some taking refuge in Montevideo and the towns up the Pahave fled that.

In Montevideo and the towns up rana River, but the larger portion are in the campo, within a distance of from ten to fifty miles of Buenos Ayres. The miserable mud huts of the peasants in the districts have been besieged with tenants from among the wealth and aristocracy of the republic, and in some cases are receiving from \$150 to \$500 per month rent. Families who lived in luxury two mouths

Families who lived in luxury two mouths and years; but if this item goes in you won't live six minutes."

Those who remain in the city are mostly Those who remain in the city are mostly of the poorer class, who have not the means to leave, and the Public Commission, a philanthropic association, organized for the emergency, is now proposing to send away on the railroad such as are not yet affected by the fever. This commission excepts of some S00 members many sion consists of some 800 members, many of great wealth and good position. Several of them have already been sacrificed to their self-imposed duty, but the work is carried on nevertheless. The commission has supreme control over everything in the doomed city, and has just proclaimed for the self-imposed duty, but the work is carried on nevertheless. The commission has supreme control over everything in the doomed city, and has just proclaimed for the self-imposed duty. This keep here is the self-imposed duty and self-imposed duty and self-imposed duty and self-imposed duty. The commission has supreme control over everything in the doomed city, and has just proclaimed and city and self-imposed duty. a fast of twenty days. This has been resoived upon to prevent financial disasters or embarrassments among the commercial houses, consequent upon the total stagna-tion of business. Of course all notes, drafts, bills of exchange, and maturing commercial paper of every description are in abeyance during that time, and the proclamation of the fast, in fact, pro-hibits business or labor of every kind. On the 12th, the bank of London and the Rio de la Plata closed its doors, and will not resume business until the end of the month. A quarantine has been established on all river towns, and for all practicable purposes Buenos Ayres is shut out from the world. About twice a week local vessels leave this port to convey to Buenos Ayres the mails and hospital sup-plies; but no person or thing, not even a letter, is permitted to be brought back, and the only communication the people of the unhappy city can have with us is by telegraph. A few days since even telegraphic certain, as some of the operators at the other end of the line died, and their

places could not be filled readily.

There is much division of opinion as to the origin of the fever, but it is pretty well settled that it was brought in an Italian emigrant ship which arrived from Genoa and Barcelona in January last. As to the cause of the spread and ravages of the discrete process of the discrete process. ease, any one who has ever been in Buncos Ayres can readily see. The city is built on the flat shore of the river, is without any system of drainage whatever, and for near-ly two hundred years the inhabitants have buried all filth, garbage and refuse matter of every description beneath their houses. This was done by sinking cellar shaped wells to a depth of fifteen or twenty feet, the sides being straightened with rude brick work. These were reached by small openings at the surface several feet in depth, and through these apertures the filth was deposited in the cess-pools below. When the sinks became full the mouth was filled up, and a new cesspool was dug elsewhere. The system prevailed everywhere throughout the city, and to-day Buenos Ayres is honeycombed by these filthy traps.

— Montevideo (April 15) Cor. N. Y. Sun.

-Lord Seaforth, who was born deaf and dumb, was to dine one day with Lord Mel-ville. Just before the time of the com-pany's arrival, Lady Melville sent into the drawing room a lady of her acquaintance who could talk with her fingers to dumb who could talk with her lingers to dumb people, that she might receive Lord Sea-forth. Presently Lord Guilford entered the room, and the lady, taking him for Lord Seaforth, began to ply her fingers very nimbly; Lord Guilford did the same, and they had been carrying on a conversa-tion. tion in this manner for about ten minutes when Lady Melville joined them. Her female friend immediately said, "Well, I have been talking away to this dumb man." "Dumb!" cried Lord Guilford; "bless me, I thought you were dumb!"

Newspaper Qualifications.

"THERE are seven qualifications which a man must have to be a good newspaper man," says DeQuincy, although what DeQuincy knew about the newspaper business, or what would be necessary a hundred years after his death, is a matter of uncertainty. He states that the leading qualification is the genius of making the most out of the least bit of information, and there's a great many journalists who would be on the old gentleman's editorial staff, if he was alive and selected for their characteristic in that respect.

characteristic in that respect.

There's that reporter in Cincinnsti. The other day he got hold of a bit of news and he said: "NARROW ESCAPE.-Last evening-it

was a very nice evening, the thermometer ranging beautifully—last evening, as Dr. J. Walker—his middle name is John, but J. Walker—his middle name is John, but people are in the habit of calling him as we have written it—as Doctor J. Walker was proceeding down Plum street—Plum street is one of the finest streets in the city, having a beautiful elevation of one hundred and sixty-three feet and eleven inches above the river's surface, and noted inches above the river's surface, and noted for its fine business blocks—down Plum street, a span of horses—since the war our people have got to using mules to a great extent, many asserting that the mule will do more hard work on a peck of corn than the horse can on two bushels of cets—a span of horses attached to a lumber wagon—time was when a good wagon could be purchased in Cincinnati for forty-five dollars; but, alas! those good days have passed away, and a wagon with a blue hind-board and a red axle-tree is now worth seventy dollars—to a lumber wahis hand, exclaiming, "Thee shall have the holiday, John." John was ashamed, astonished, concience-smitten, charmed. He wouldn't touch it.

"Hasn't thee had thy share?—then I'll ha' no more," he said. They kept their wedding day with the old dame, and the wife's little capital was the nucleus of a series of investments that ultimately swelled into a shop, factory, ware-house, country seat, a carriage, "and perhaps," said Mr. Owen, while relating this incident in one of his addresses, "John, might be mayor of his native borough at last."

The writer was present in the town hall in Bolton, Lancashire, in 1849, listening to a most eloquent lecture to the "working classes," by Mr. Baxter Langley, the accomplished editor of the London Morning Star, when at the close of the lecture, to impress upon his audience the power of such extractal the foresting and a red axle-tree is now blue hind-board and a red axle-tree is now worth seventy dollars—to a lumber wa-gon came dashing across his path, and but for the fact—speaking of facts reminds us that the firm of Wart & Company have just got on their new spring hats—the fact that the doctor stopped a moment to chat with a friend—ah! what a power is there in that word! A man may be in Australia, or even in New Jersey, and his eyes will fill with tears the moment he hears the word—a friend, he would have been crushed to the pulp of raspberry jam!"

And there is a chap in Buffalo who can "hold on" to an item like a Wisconsin farmer to his hop crop. I never see one of his articles without feeling a desire to see how it ended, and when the conclusion will be published. Here is his usual style of drowning folks:

"Melanchory Case.—About 11 o'clock"

"MELANCHOLY CASE.-About 11 o'clock yesterday—of course some of the clocks may not have indicated that it was just 1, and others may have done so—the po-ceman at the foot of Main street—since liceman at the foot of Main street—since
the new pavement was put down at that
point property has increased 10 per cent.
in value—heard a splash—it may seem
singular to our readers that a policeman
heard it, but the fact is beyond dispute,
the officer's grandfather being at the battle
of Bunker Hill—a splash in the creek—
why the broad and handsome river which
flows into the lake at this point should be

and 337 on the 28th. On Saturday, one week ago to-day, there were 501 interments; on Sunday 749 bodies were counted at the cemetery gates, and the daily average mortality for the week has been 450. The total number since the scourge began is over 12,000.

Note that I have the notes of mildest merody from the cherry lips of single females aged from thirty-five anywhere up to sixty—of a man struggling in the water. With an energy such as is only born in heroes—speaking of heroes reminds us that Fluke, the popular druggist, has just opened a one thousand five hundred dollar soda. the more from the fact that his mother-in-law is very ill, and will never live to see sionally pause in his work to drop a tear for some drowned person—in case he had

for some drowned person—in case he had fallen a victim to the limpid waves."

The other great qualification which De-Quincy suggests is "never to make truth unpleasant." I believe in this. Out in Omaha, when I was on the Afternoon Standard, after Jim. Mitchell had been learned for fourteen consecution days. I

And, instead of shooting any one full

Murder as a Passion.

MR. WILLIAM BEER is a dealer in unredeemed pledges at 58 Newington-butts, London. He had a servant in his employ named Agnes Norman, aged 15 years. Or Good Friday Beer and his wife went out to spend the evening, leaving their three young children in the care of the servant. young children in the care of the servant.
On returning home, they found one of the babies on the floor by its bedside undressed, and another dead between the bedstead and the wall. It had evidently died from suffocation. The theory of the parents was that the servant girl had killed it, and they introduced evidence at the coroner's inquest to support their theory, which they had gathered subsequent to the death of their child, from those in whose employ the servant girl had previwhose employ the servant girl had previ-

ously been. tress came there with her baby to make a visit, put the child on the bed, and soon after it was found dead. At the same place, three dogs, a cat, a parrot, a number of gold-fish, and nearly a dozen fancy birds were found dead at different times without apparent cause. At another place she brought home a child she had been taking out on the street, in a state of in-sensibility, and said that it had fallen out of her arms. The infant recovered, but in a few weeks she brought it back from another airing dead. In another family a a boy of seven years awoke with a chok-ing sensation, and afterward told his father the girl had placed her hand over his mouth, and then given him money not to say anything about it; and in the same family several domestic animals died sud-denly. In another situation, a child in her care was found insensible in bed, and when it recovered evinced great terror at the sight of the girl. Again, in her ca-reer, she locked a child up in a wardrooe, took it out and put it to bed, and soon after it was found dead.—Pall Mall (Lon-

-A story is told of a little four-year-old fellow who, having disobeyed his father, was about to incur the penalty—a switching. The father deliberately prepared a
rod, while his son stood a sad and silent
spectator. As the parent approached tothe unpleasant duty, the boy started at a
brisk run toward a neighboring hill. The father pursued, and for a time the youngster increased the distance between them; but gradually his strength began to fail, and when he reached the hill and began to ascend he soon lost his vantage ground Nearer and nearer the irate father ap-proached, and just as the top of the hill was reached, and as he came within arm's length of the little fugitive, who was ready to fall from exhaustion, the boy quickly faced about, dropped upon the ground, and with an indescribable cast of countenance exclaimed: "Papa, that—makes a faller blow don't it?" This "changfellow—blow—don't it?" This "changing of the subject" was so extremely lu-dicrous that the father laughed heartily